



Taken from the news columns of area newspapers.

Sixty teams compete in wrestling the bacon

COZAD—The fans in the stands were ecstatic about the second annual Pig Wrestling Competition at the Dawson County Fair in Lexington, proving the event popular again. There were over 1,500 people in attendance to enjoy the pig vs. human battle. Nearly 60 teams competed to see who was the fastest to place their piglet, or hog for adults, into a barrel backside first. Most teams suffered failure against the pesky pigs, but some posted times that powered past the 25-second range to stop the watch.—reported in the Tri-City Trib.

'Team Morgan' members pay for way they dress

BROKEN BOW—A two-month fund-raising effort dubbed "Team Morgan" concluded with four local businesses raising more than \$1,000 for the Morgan Kaelin family. Morgan, 3, has Rhett Syndrome and requires lots of therapy, medications and trips back and forth to special doctors, which puts a strain on the family. As part of the fund-raising effort, employees of McMeen Physical Therapy, Central Nebraska Medical Clinic, BD and Farm Credit Services have been literally paying for the way they dressed. Employees purchased a T-shirt in support of Morgan and then paid to wear the shirt to work each Friday for two months.—reported in the Custer County Chief.

Significant road work ahead for District 6

OGALLALA—Keith County will be receiving significant upgrades to roads and road-related fixtures in the coming years under the 2014 Surface Transportation Program, which was recently released by the Nebraska Department of Roads. One of the largest projects includes a

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6.8 mile Interstate 80 resurfacing and bridge repair from Paxton to the Lincoln County line. Keith County also will be receiving a new dynamic message sign and a new automatic gate system.—reported in the Keith County News.

Former students create website for alumni

CURTIS—Ken Mercer and Jack Andersen, both class of 1964, recently launched a new website dedicated to the alumni of the Nebraska School of Agriculture (NSA) and the University of Nebraska School of Agriculture (UNSA), both previous high school incarnations of NCTA. The site, curtisaggie.com, was created this past spring with the intent of preserving memories of the institution from when it was a high school. The two scanned in every yearbook from 1924 to 1968, and there is also a volume dedicated to the classes of 1913 to 1923.—reported in the Frontier County Enterprise.

First-ever art show draws 300 entries

ARNOLD—Professional and amateur artists from Arnold and several surrounding communities exhibited art in the first annual Prairie Artisans' Art Show and Sale recently at the Arnold United Methodist Church fellowship hall. One purpose of the art show was to spark interest or rekindle artisans' interest in producing artwork, participating in art workshops, shows or an art club, according to Sulin Best, organizer of the show. Best also wanted to provide a venue for area artists to exhibit their work and make an additional event available to area residents throughout the SORC weekend. Thirty-nine exhibitors, including seven students, entered over 300 pieces of art in the exhibit.—reported in the Arnold Sentinel.

Fog slows down SORC drivers for a little while

CALLAWAY—It was dangerous for awhile as racers, fans and officials converged on the One Mile Shoot Out at the Sandhills Open Road Challenge (SORC) event south of Callaway early on Friday, Aug. 9. A heavy fog had rolled in and racing was delayed waiting for the fog to burn off and the road to dry out. The shoot out got underway some time later. SORC drivers had to go back to Arnold via Gothenburg, as the Cozad road wasn't finished being repaved. Members of the Callaway Chamber served the noon meal, which was served at the Arnold Community Center.—reported in the Callaway Courier.

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